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The matter of the annual faculty luncheon to the visitors during Interscholastic Track Meet was presented. Motion made by Dr. Rowe that the faculty sanction the luncheon to be given at this time. After a lengthy discussion concerning the inconvenience experienced in serving the luncheon, the expense and the difficulty in collecting the assessments made for this purpose heretofore, Dr. Rowe suggested that if the funds were sufficient, the Interscholastic Committee would be willing to meet this expense. Dr. Lenn offered as an amendment that the Interscholastic Committee provide \$50.00 toward the expense of the luncheon. Second by Professor Carey. Motion lost.

Motion made by Dr. Rowe that the faculty sanction the luncheon and stand sponsor financially.

Prof. Carey offered as an amendment that the expense be limited to \$75.00. Seconded and standing vote taken. Thirteen in favor; four opposed. Motion carried.

On motion, meeting adjourned.

Stella Stillwell
Secretary.

A special meeting of the Faculty of the State University was held Friday, April 13th, 1917, at 4:30 P.M., at the request of Chancellor Elliott.

In order to meet the demands which may be made on the institution by reason of the war, the Chancellor spoke at length concerning several problems which may arise.

For those students who may enter upon work made necessary by the war (other than military service), the Chancellor suggested that some consideration be given with relation to their semester's credits. In this connection, he asked that a "War Emergency Committee" be appointed to consider cases of this nature. Motion made by Dr. Rowe that such a committee be appointed by the Chancellor. Motion seconded and carried.

Chancellor Elliott then asked that all cases of application for leave from the institution to enter upon work made necessary by the war be referred to and acted upon individually by this committee. Motion to that effect was made by Dr. Holliday, seconded by Mr. Daughters and carried.

In regard to the offering by departments of new courses, the Chancellor stated that no new course may be offered by any department which has not been presented to and approved by the faculty, and that application for approval by the Chancellor is to be made upon a printed form which will be furnished by the President. This, the Chancellor stated, was to avoid any unnecessary overlapping of courses and to secure cooperation among the departments, also to avoid expansion beyond the limits of the resources.

On account of numerous complications having arisen, the Chancellor asked that all institutional matters reach him through the President's Office.

Mr. Bonner was asked by the Chancellor to present a matter which he had taken up with Captain Mitchell of the U. S. Army asking that a training camp be established at the State University for high school graduates and university students to prepare them for subordinate positions in the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army, the course of study to be

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Present Matters
to Chancellor
thru President's
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Signal Corps

arranged by officers of the War Department and the work given by the instructors of the Forest School and other instructors of the University, other classes to be discontinued if necessary to carry on this work. The following telegram from Captain Mitchell was read concerning the matter:

"Military necessity prevents my arrival before Monday evening. Am forwarding your letter of explanation to Adjutant General with my hearty approval and asking answer by telegram. You discuss the matter fully with Chancellor Elliott that you may express his wishes at our conference, and will arrange to meet him after Adjutant General has passed on matter."

Training Camp
Signal Corps

For those members of the faculty who may wish to enter the military service, the Chancellor stated that their places would be held open for them, but that there would be no certainty as to the value of their positions if there should be war. He would endeavor to see that they received as much salary as they are now receiving, until next September.

Faculty
entering
Military
Service

On motion, meeting adjourned.

Stella Stillwell
Secretary.

Meeting of the Faculty of the State University,
held May 4th, 1917, 4:30 P.M.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved without reading. Dr. Elrod moved that a committee from the faculty be appointed by the President with instructions to read the minutes of all faculty meetings, reporting to the general faculty any corrections or additions the committee deemed necessary in the review of the minutes. The motion was seconded and carried.

Committee
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Professor Carey made the following motion: that examinations for the second semester of the college year 1916-17 be held on Thursday and Friday of the week preceding Commencement Week and the Monday and Tuesday of Commencement Week. Motion seconded by Dr. Elrod. Professor Aber offered the following motion as a substitute: that all final examinations for the second semester of the college year 1916-17 be held during the week preceding Commencement Week. The substitute motion was seconded by Prof. F. O. Smith. Dr. Coffman, in speaking of the substitute motion, said that the plan of having examinations during Commencement Week to hold the undergraduates for the Commencement Week activities was not successful. The undergraduates left for their homes immediately after their examinations were completed, as a rule. The faculty should bend its effort to pointing out to alumni of the institution the importance of returning for Commencement Week, Dr. Coffman said, as alumni gatherings are generally more successful than undergraduate participation. Prof. F. O. Smith suggested that Commencement Day should be held on Wednesday of Commencement Week rather than Thursday.

Examinations

Vote was taken on the substitute motion and it was carried.

Dr. Elrod then offered the following motion: that the dates for the examinations for the second semester of the college year 1916-17 be Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the week preceding Commencement Week. Seconded and carried.

Dr. Kirkwood submitted the following to the faculty for consideration: no student may participate in the preliminary contest for Debate, Oratory, or other event, who, by reason of his previous record or for other cause, would be ineligible for the final contest. Dr. Kirkwood explained that the proposed

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